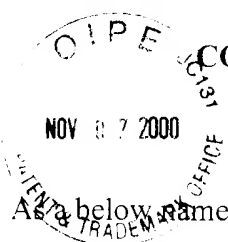


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I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a utility patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**NOVEL FIBROBLAST GROWTH FACTOR AND NUCLEIC ACIDS
ENCODING SAME**

the specification of which:

☒ was filed on **July 3, 2000**, as United States Non-Provisional Application
No. **09/609,543**, bearing Attorney Docket No. 15966-557 CIP (Cura-57 CIP).

☐ is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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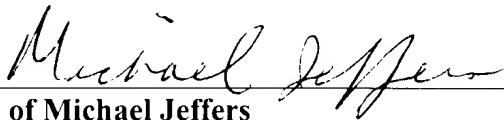
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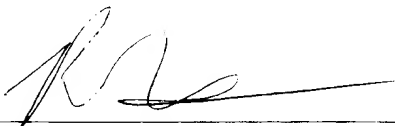
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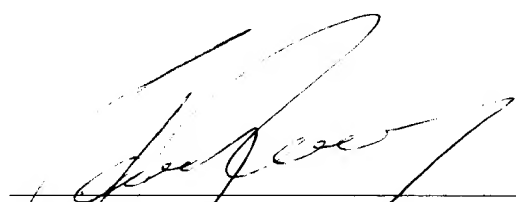
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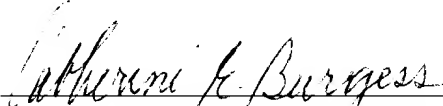


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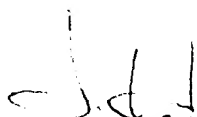
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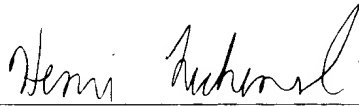
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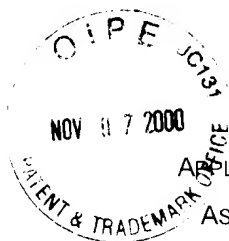
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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(c) – SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)

I hereby state that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

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I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:

- ☐ the specification filed herewith with title as listed above;
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If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(c), if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9(e).

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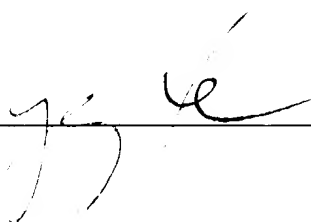
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